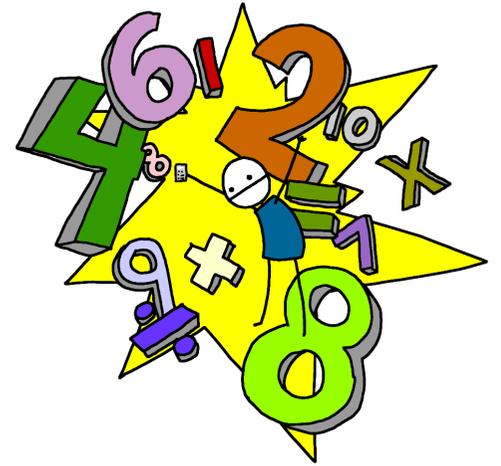


Activities to do at home:

- Sing number songs
- Look for numbers in the environment: house numbers, bus number, bin number, number plates etc
- Talk about the time: next, after, today, tomorrow- use a clock to find out the time
- Compare size of objects e.g. who has the tallest breadstick
- Measure height- who is the tallest in your family?
- Collecting and comparing objects e.g. stones, sticks and feathers
- Counting everything! For example: number of steps, number of people at the bus stop, number of sweets left etc
- Estimating- guessing how many bananas there are, guessing the number of the bus etc
- Sorting and matching items e.g. socks from the washing basket
- Cooking- measuring and using scales, discussing amounts and size, working out how many bowls/cases are needed
- Supermarket- number of the aisle, handling and using money, counting number of items, sorting groceries etc



Maths



'Early Years maths is about getting children to consider mathematical principles such as problem-solving, sequencing, sorting and thinking about shape, size and colour.'

Problem Solving

- Patterns: identifying patterns, making a pattern
- Following instructions: 1st we are going to get some paper, 2nd/Next we are going to get a pen etc.
- Hide some treasure and give your child directions or a map to follow!
- Positional Language: Set up an obstacle course using the furniture in your home e.g. go under the table, over the box, through the door
- Meal times: cutting up pizza/cake- how many slices do we need? How many do we have now? How many more do we need?

Games

- Hopscotch
- Twister
- Snakes and ladders
- Frustration
- What's the Time Mr Wolf
- Connect 4
- Hungry Hippos
- Hide and Seek
- Cards, matching games etc
- Dominos

Books: Biscuit Bear, Blast Off, Goldilocks and the 3 Bears, Titch, The Enormous Turnip, 10 Cheeky Monkeys, One is a Snail 10 is a Crab

Links to websites:

<http://www.ictgames.com/resources.html>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/topics/numeracy>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/the-numtums>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/i-can-cook>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/Early-Years.html>